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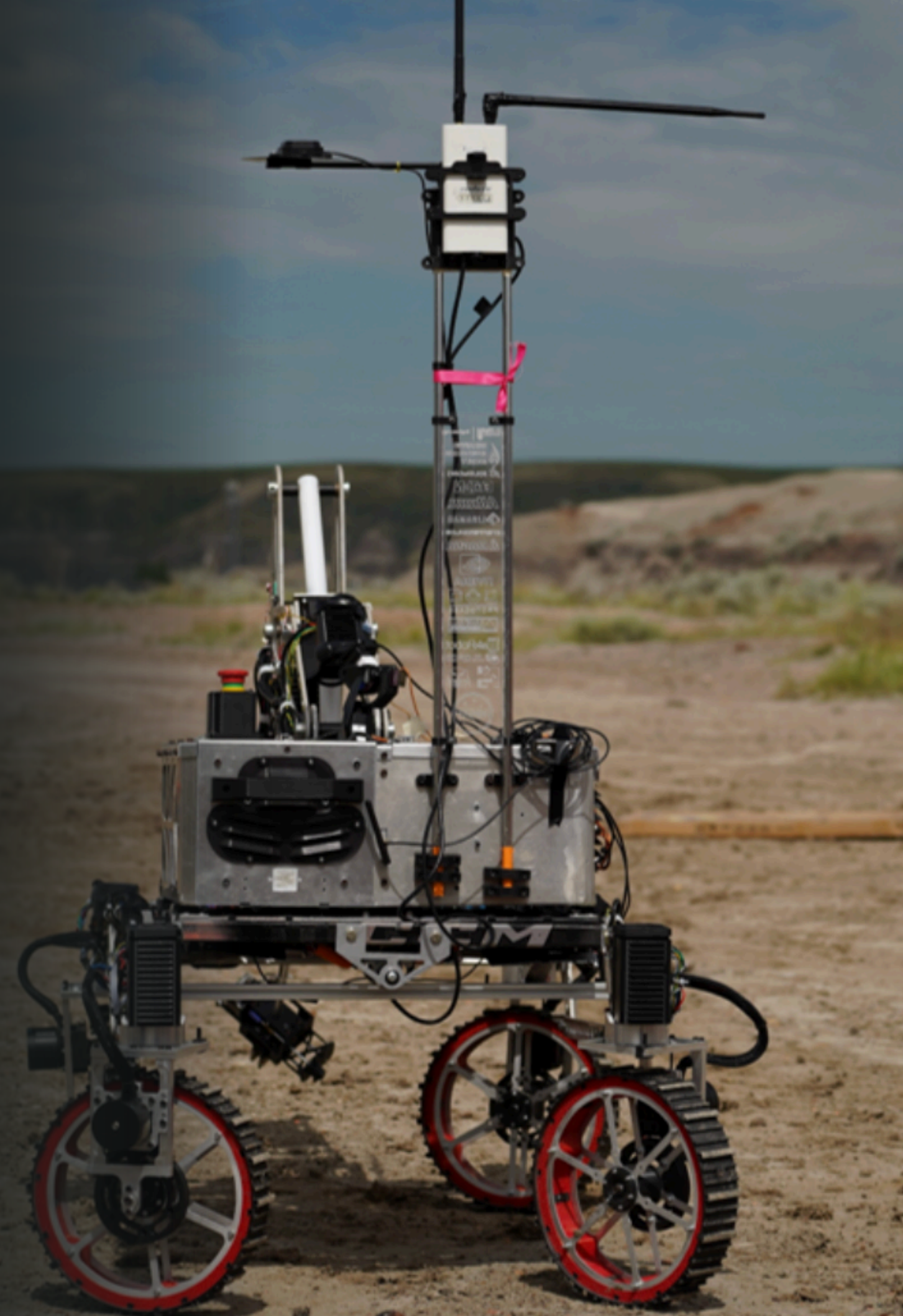
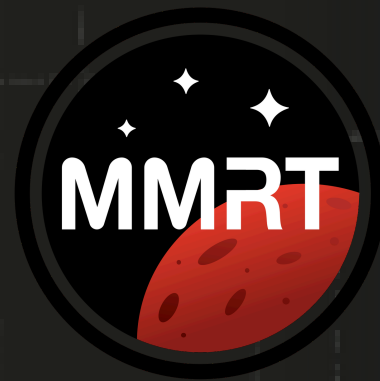




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TEAM OVERVIEW

The McMaster Mars Rover Team (MMRT) is a student-run, interdisciplinary organization representing McMaster University in the Canadian International Rover Challenge (CIRC). Each year, we design, build, and test a functional Mars Rover capable of performing a variety of tasks in simulated extraterrestrial environments.




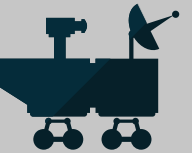




MMRT consists of approximately 80 members from both engineering and non-engineering disciplines. By applying theoretical knowledge to real-world engineering challenges, our members gain hands-on experience in mechanical design, electrical systems, software development, scientific analyses, and project management.

Our leadership structure fosters mentorship, collaboration, and professional development, empowering students through teamwork, problem solving, and hands-on challenges, where building a rover is the journey to building future leaders.





PARTNER SUPPORT

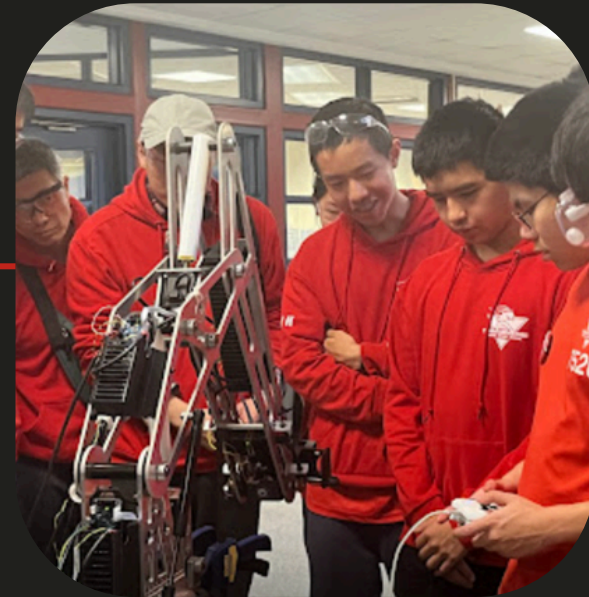
BENEFITS	SPONSORSHIP PACKAGE TIERS				
	OFFICIAL > \$10 000	PLATINUM > \$5 000	GOLD > \$2 000	SILVER > \$1 000	BRONZE < \$1 000
Logo on website and team banner	X-Large	Large	Medium	Small	X-Small
Logo on rover	X-Large	Large	Medium	Small	X-Small
Logo on promotional materials	Large	Medium	Small		
Resume book, meet the team and workshop tour					
Social media promotion					
Rover rental for company events					



WHY SPONSOR US

Logo Placement

We feature sponsor logos directly on the rover's exterior panels, providing brand exposure at every competition, public demonstration and outreach event we attend.



Exposure to Brand

Your support positions your brand as a leader in student development and engineering excellence, wherein the collaboration is recognized by the broader community and fellow Mars Rover teams at competitions.

Exposure to Product

MMRT puts your products directly in the hands of McMaster's top engineering students, who use your technology throughout rover design, testing, and competition.



Social Media

With 2,220 followers as of September 2025, our Instagram presence captures the hard work behind our achievements and spotlights your valued support.



COMPETITIONS

CIRC

The Canadian International Rover Challenge is an annual international robotics competition hosted every August in Drumheller, Alberta.

URC

The University Rover Challenge is the world's premier Mars rover competition, held every May at the Mars Desert Research Station in Utah, USA.

1st
CANADA
CIRC 2023

2nd
OVERALL
WINTER CIRC 2024

For both competitions, university teams design, build, and remotely operate Mars rover prototypes from a "mission control" station in rugged, Mars-like terrain, completing engineering, science, and field-operation challenges.

TASKS



Autonomous Navigation

Involves navigating obstacles without human control



Equipment Servicing

Involves the manipulator arm performs tasks such as flipping switches or turning valves



Science Mission

Involves soil or rock sampling in addition to in-field analysis



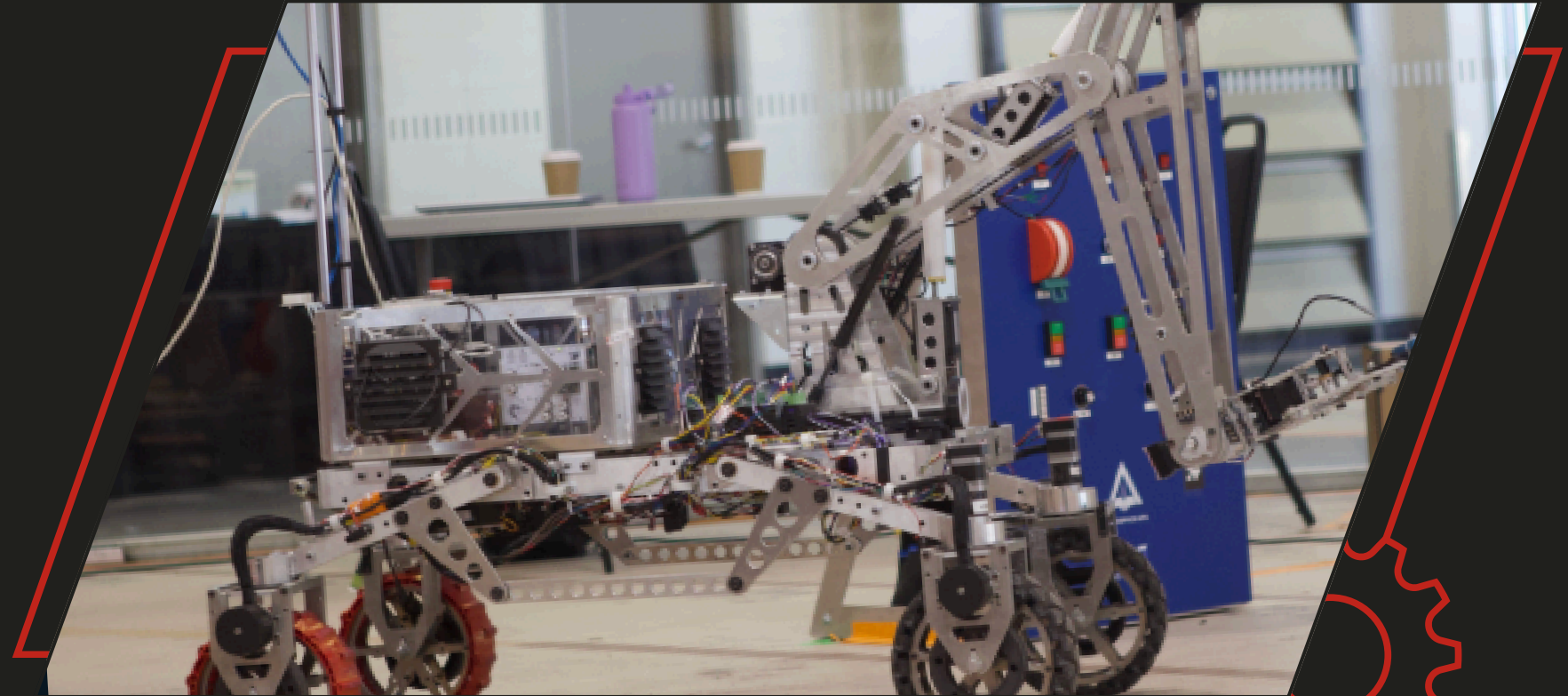
Extreme Retrieval

Involves transporting tools, parts, or supplies across terrain



V2.5 MAXWELL

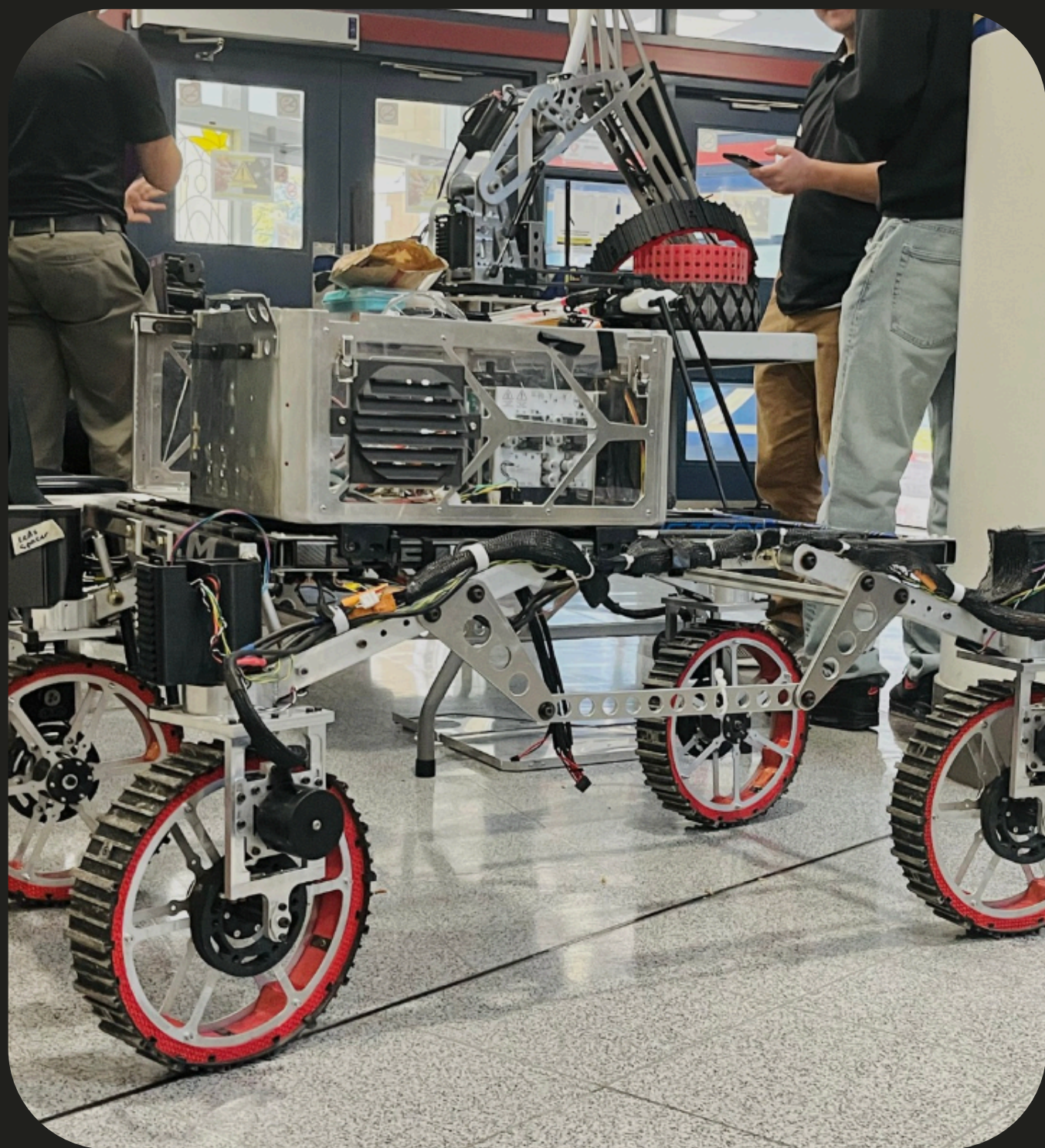
Maxwell is our latest-generation rover, engineered for serviceability and to accelerate PCB design skill-building. Design began in late 2022, with manufacturing starting in late 2023. It has a fully custom electrical architecture anchored by a modular voltage-regulator card system for fast swap/scale power stages and a custom stepper-driver boards featuring closed-loop feedback control for precise motion, and a fully custom swerve drive delivers improved maneuverability.



V1.5 FARADAY

Faraday is an improved version of the original V1 Rover and development began immediately after the 2022 Summer CIRC competition. V1.5 addresses concerns with V1's drive system by implementing a six-wheel tank drive and rocker-bogie suspension for continuous traction, pneumatic wheels for shock absorption, custom aluminum structures for higher rigidity and a bungee-assisted arm that improves weight balance and control.





VISION FOR 2026

Our vision is to mentor and empower students through teamwork, problem solving, and hands-on challenges, where building a rover is the journey to building future leaders.

For the next season, MMRT is creating of an entirely new rover, designed from the ground up to redefine the team's approach to autonomy, reliability and modular design. This next-generation rover integrates lessons learned from past models while introducing new innovations across sub-teams.

This year's rover is named **CURIE** in honour of a pioneering woman in science, reflecting the curiosity, resilience and creativity that drive our team. By naming our rover after a figure who helped expand the boundaries of scientific understanding, MMRT recognizes the trailblazers who continue to advance the frontiers of engineering and exploration.





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